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Mr. SPEAKER :—" Certainly. Even the other day, a question put by hon. Member Sri Manickam was postponed, as he requested me to postpone it. It is all for the convenience of members. Before I took up the questions of the Hon. Minister for Agriculture, I told the House point blank that I would be taking up such questions and at that time no one objected. If any member had objected, I would have taken up the questions in their serial order."

Sri K. VINAYAKAM :—" I am not objecting, Sir, to the procedure followed by you. You have allowed this concession when a member writes to you. But supposing a question of a member is expected to come up late, as per the printed list and he comes a little late, then if questions are not taken up in serial order, he would be disappointed."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The remedy is this : supposing he expects to come late, he can inform me that he would like his questions to be taken up later."

Sri S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" That is all right for members who have already given notice of questions. But there are members who would like to put supplementary questions on particular questions. For instance, this question would have come up as per the order in the printed list, at about 9 o'clock. If the hon. Member calculating this comes late, his right is denied."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" That is true. But all of us are expected to be here at 8-30. It is on that assumption that we begin our work. There is no rule for coming late to the House."

Staff under Community Project.

* 1714 *Q.*—Sri P. S. KRISHNASWAMY AYYANGAR (on behalf of Sri M. Jagannathan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any instruction had been received by the State Government from the Union Government for making all functionaries under the Community Project permanent employees of the Government;

(*b*) if so, when the instructions were received: and

(*c*) the action taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise."

Lead poisoning in Printing industry.

* 1717 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have investigated whether a large number of workers are affected by lead poison in press industry and type foundries?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" No, Sir. No complaints of lead poisoning among the workers in the printing